



## NOTICE OF OPEN HOUSE AND PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

### DRAFT REMOVAL ACTION WORKPLAN JOE K. OTSUKA ELEMENTARY SCHOOL (NEW ELEMENTARY # 8)

SANTA ANA, CALIFORNIA

**PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD:** November 8 – December 9, 2002

**OPEN HOUSE:** November 21, 2002, 7:00 – 9:00 p.m.  
**Spurgeon Intermediate School**  
**2701 W. Fifth Street, Santa Ana**

#### WHAT'S BEING PROPOSED?

The California Department of Toxic Substances Control (DTSC) invites public comment on the draft Removal Action Workplan (RAW) for the Joe K. Otsuka Elementary School at the Santa Ana Unified School District (SAUSD). The proposed site is located at 804 North Fairview Street, Santa Ana. During the site investigation, polynuclear aromatic hydrocarbons (PAHs) were detected in soils at concentrations that exceed DTSC health risk levels. The SAUSD has prepared a draft RAW to address the removal and offsite disposal of approximately 2,000 cubic yards of soils impacted with PAHs from the proposed school site and transport it to a permitted offsite disposal facility. DTSC has prepared a draft Notice of Exemption for the project pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA). The project is considered exempt since it will not have a significant impact on the environment because of the relatively short duration and the controlled manner in which the contaminated soils will be excavated, loaded onto trucks, and taken off-site for disposal/treatment.

#### HOW DO I PARTICIPATE?

The purpose of this notice is to provide the interested public the opportunity to learn more about the project and to provide comments to DTSC on the draft RAW. Your participation is encouraged. An open house to discuss this project will be held on Nov. 21, 2002, from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m., at the Spurgeon Intermediate School Music Room, 2701 W Fifth Street, Santa Ana. Written comments concerning the draft RAW may be submitted to Mr. Juan Osornio, Project Manager, DTSC, 5796 Corporate Avenue, Cypress, CA 90630 during the 30-day comment period and must be postmarked by Dec. 9, 2002.

#### WHERE DO I GET MORE INFORMATION?

A copy of the draft RAW and other project documents are available at the Santa Ana Public Library, 26 Civic Center Plaza, Santa Ana, CA 92701. Additionally, all site documents and the full Administrative Record pertaining to this project are available for review during office hours at the DTSC Regional Records Office in Cypress, (address listed above), contact: Julie Johnson, (714) 484-5300.

#### CONTACT:

If you have any questions regarding the draft RAW or meeting room accessibility, please contact Ms. Maya Akula, DTSC Public Participation Specialist at (818) 551-2917. *Si desea información en español, comuníquese con el Sr. Eloy Florez al (818) 551-2875.*

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